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Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Restriction Action mailed April 17, 2003, which response is being made on or before May 17, 2003.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, namely Claims 1 – 47, drawn to a sound absorbing article.

Furthermore, with respect to the species selection, Applicants hereby select:

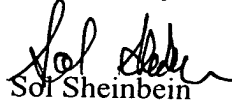
i: Material : Natural fibrous material.

ii. Coating : Water glass

It is believed that Claims 1 – 7, 15, 30, 31 – 47 read on the above species.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to any one or more of the non-elected Groups.

Respectfully submitted,


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